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## ASI representatives urge students to voice opinions about Cal Poly Plan

By Rebecca Starrick  
Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly Plan is still in its initial phases, but ASI representatives on the plan's steering committee said this is the time for students to voice their concerns.

This week, various opportunities will be available for students to offer their opinion on what is important to their education at Cal Poly.

"A random sample of approximately 1,000 students will be surveyed in their classes to explore the issues of the Cal Poly Plan with more depth," said test officer George Stanton.

Also, the winter quarter CAPTURE survey beginning Oct. 25 will ask one of three questions to a random sample of students. The questions address issues similar to the fall

quarter survey, but deal more directly with summer school course offerings, financial aid and general education and major course availability, Stanton said.

These surveys allow the committee to get student input while the plan is still in the information-gathering stage.

The survey results will be used to make more concrete decisions this December, when a preliminary plan is submitted to the California State University (CSU) system's chancellor's office.

The plan will affect students as early as next year, said ASI President Cristin Brady.

While the plan proposes a fee hike and enrollment increases, graduating seniors will also be affected, Brady said.

The plan will determine the value of a Cal Poly degree, she

said.

If the plan succeeds and Cal Poly's reputation improves, a degree from the school will be more valuable in the work force, which may make it easier for students to get jobs after graduation.

**"We are working for the students."**

**Mike Rocca**

College of engineering representative

If the plan dies, the California state legislature will arbitrarily determine how many students Cal Poly can accept to reach the targeted goal of 17,000 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) students, a unit average of full and part time students.

The ASI representatives said this could lead to classes becoming more crowded, and Cal Poly could jeopardize its reputation

as a university that provides a quality education.

The representatives encouraged students to become involved in the plan's initial formulating because "this is the first time that students have the opportunity to sit next to staff, administrators, faculty and top university officials in devising a plan," said Mike Rocca, college of engineering representative for the ASI Board of Directors.

By participating in the surveys, Rocca said, "students can decide their own future for real this time."

Students need to take advantage of it; they have a tremendous amount of power."

When a vote is taken in December on the version of the plan to be submitted to the CSU chancellor's office for approval, without a unanimous vote from

all 12 committee members, the plan would go back to the drawing board, Brady said.

The plan is being devised as a pro-active stance on the university's behalf, she said. The committee is reviewing what the university's needs are to improve education with less state funds.

"We are working for the students; they need to feel comfortable that we are their voice," Rocca said. "To be represented fairly, they need to tell us what their needs are."

The steering committee is committed to answering all Cal Poly Plan questions. To have questions or concerns addressed, contact President Warren Baker at the 756-2186 or through e-mail at polyplan.

ASI board members and other representative can be reached at 756-1291.

## Poly student cruises on university at sea

By Jennifer English  
Daily Staff Writer

The ship is not the Love Boat, and it's not a pleasure cruise.

A Cal Poly student is currently on board the S.S. Universe, a floating university that will spend four and a half months cruising, visiting international ports.

Karen Bianchini, listed as a home economics senior in the 1994-1995 Student Directory, is enrolled in the University of Pittsburgh's Institute for Shipboard Education. She departed from Vancouver, British Columbia on Sept. 13 and will return to New Orleans, La. on Dec. 23.

According to a press release prepared by the institute, Bianchini is one of 400 students who is attending liberal studies classes aboard the ship.

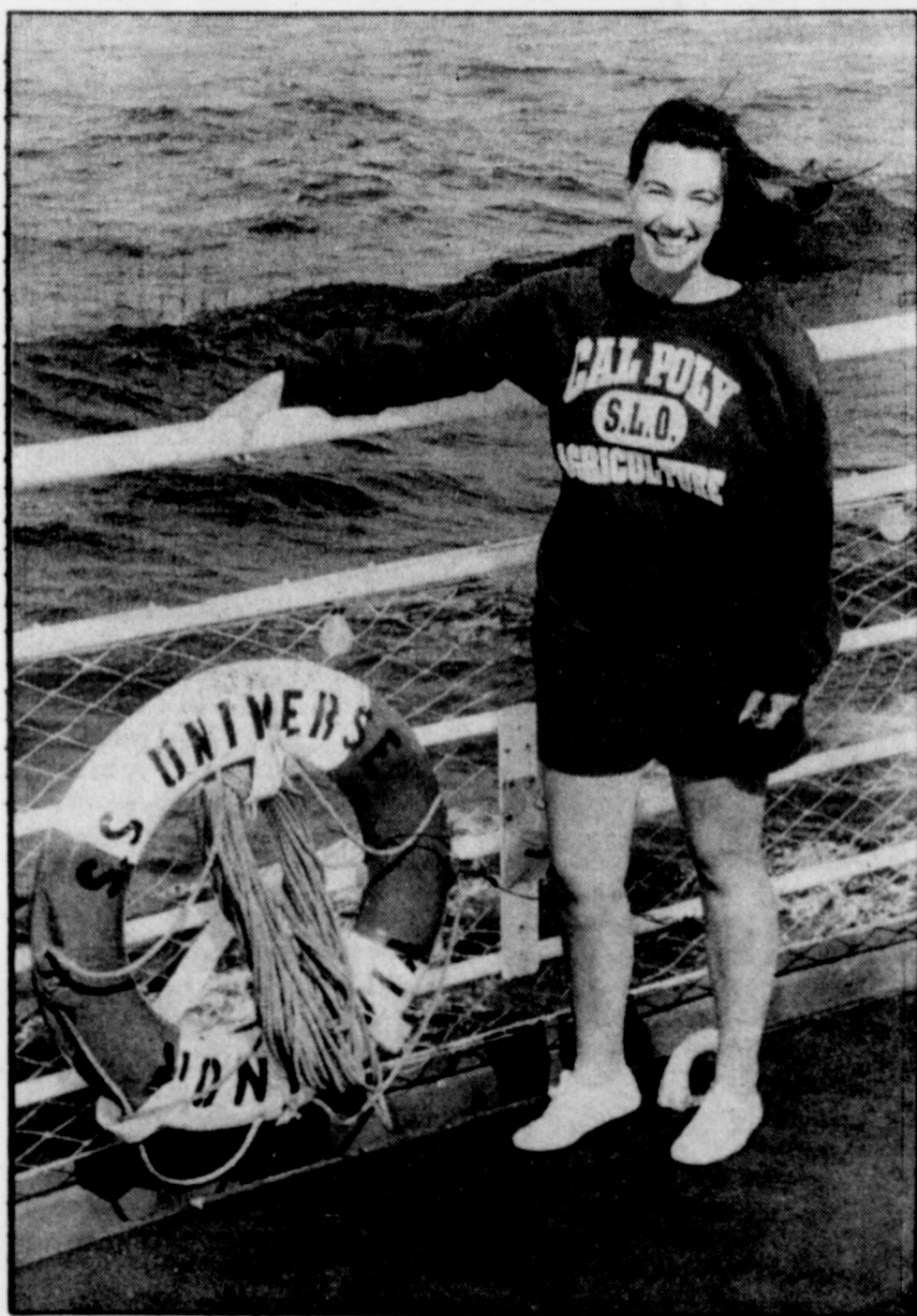
As part of the program, the students are also participating in activities and field excursions in Japan, China, Hong Kong, Vietnam, Egypt, Israel, Ukraine, Turkey and Morocco.

According to Jennifer Babin, financial aid officer for the institute, port activities include stays in the homes of local families, tours of local businesses and exchanges with students from local universities.

"There is no typical field program," Babin said. "The more interesting ones are trips to the Taj Mahal or the Great Wall."

The recent lifting of a trade embargo made it possible for Bianchini and others aboard the Universe to visit Vietnam, Babin said. The institute's fall voyage is the first to include Ho Chi Minh City on its itinerary.

While on board, students are housed in shared rooms. Common facilities include a campus store, swimming pool, student union and cafeteria.



Cal Poly student Karen Bianchini is currently sailing on the S.S. Universe, a floating university that visits international ports / photo courtesy of the University of Pittsburgh's Institute for Shipboard Education

"The rooms are small," Babin said, "but students really don't spend a lot of time in them — there are other facilities on board."

Bianchini will spend approximately half her time at sea, Babin said. The longest voyage from port to port is 14 days, and the ship typically docks for three to six days at a

time, she said.

While at sea, communication aboard the Universe is limited to a ship-to-shore phone system which costs \$10 per minute to use, Babin said.

The ship is currently cruising somewhere between Vietnam and India and Bianchini could not be reached for comment.

## Reform Party could change politics and offer another choice

By Angela Lauriente  
Daily Staff Writer

Ross Perot's new third political party surpassed the required 89,000 signatures late Tuesday which were needed to place it on the 1996 presidential ballot.

The Reform Party, as it is called in California, had accumulated at least 95,000 California voter registration cards by early Tuesday and thousands more were expected by the 5 p.m. deadline.

Sponsored by United We Stand America, the Reform Party is a grass roots organization created after President Clinton took office. The objective of the organization is to keep close watch over politicians, said Irvin Jenkins of Pismo Beach, a United We Stand America member.

Perot's movement is known as the Independence Party in the other 49 states. California had to use the name Reform Party because of the similarity in names between the Independence Party and California's American Independence Party.

Jenkins said he feels a new party is necessary because many voters have become disenchanted with the current political system.

"Sixty-two percent of the voters are not happy with what has happened in Washington, especially in the last three years," Jenkins said. "Politicians make a lot of promises but don't fulfill them."

Jenkins cited the failure to pass the Balanced Budget Amendment and the failure to reform campaign financing.

"Republicans and Democrats aren't listening to the people, but rather to (Political Action Com-

mittee), lobbyists and special interest groups," Jenkins said.

Cal Poly political science department head John Culver agreed.

"We need some more parties to challenge the two dominant ones," Culver said. "There are a lot of alienated voters looking for an ideologically neutral opportunity."

The Reform Party has compiled a list of its objectives, which include balancing the budget, campaign and Medicare reform and both foreign and domestic lobbying restrictions.

As part of balancing the budget, the Reform Party says it will pass the Balanced Budget Amendment.

The party will also create an understandable financial report which will be made available to the American people. The people can then decide for themselves whether the plan to balance the budget is being followed.

Nationwide campaign reform will include reducing the cost of campaigns by shortening the election cycle to no more than four months.

Members of Congress would be required to raise all money from voters within their districts, and senators would be required to raise all money from voters within their states.

To help increase voter turnout, the Reform Party wants voting to take place on Saturdays and Sundays to make it easier for working people to get to the polls.

Because people on the West Coast are often discouraged from voting when they hear the results of East Coast exit polls, See PARTY page 3

### SPORTS

The cross country teams are headed for the AWC championships. Check out the season wrap-up. See page 12

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Academic Senate approves resources for expansion of international programs. See page 2

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## Today

**Author Duffy Littlejohn**, "The local railroad hobo" - and criminal attorney - will be at the Cuesta College bookstore today at 11:30 a.m. He will be autographing his new book "Hopping Freight Trains in America," detailing how to take the "last pure red-blooded adventure in North America."

**The Federal Minerals Management Service (MMS)** will be holding a workshop on a proposed study having to do with factors inhibiting the development of existing offshore oil leases and many other oil drilling topics. Public input is needed at the meeting today at the SLO Veterans' Hall. The workshop will begin at 6 p.m. For more information, call ECOSLO at 544-1777 or the County Planning Department at 781-5194.

## Upcoming

**Career Forum for Women** - Planning, Advancing and Balancing Your Career is being held Oct. 26 at 11 a.m. in bldg 124 room 224. Dessert and cold drinks will be provided. Sign up at Career Services.

**The Campus Crusade for Christ** will be having an event at the Sandwich Plant featuring the band Mercy Cafe Oct. 26. The event will start at 8 p.m. and there will be a \$1 cover charge.

**The London Study Program** is having an informational meeting Oct. 26 in Fisher Science room 286. The meeting will begin at 11 a.m. and provide information about the Spring quarter trip.

Agenda Items: c/o Natasha Collins, Graphic Arts 226, Cal Poly 93407 —  
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\*\*\*Please submit information at least three days prior to the event\*\*\*

## Poly to seek international students

By Melissa M. Geisler  
Daily Assistant Sports Editor

Global awareness and "U" grades were just two topics that arose during the Academic Senate meeting on Tuesday.

Thirty-three senators voted in favor of a proposal which hopes to bring more international students and money to Cal Poly, part of the revisions to the Cal Poly Strategic Plan that includes Global Awareness.

Irel Urreiztieta, chair of the task force on Global Awareness, said that despite the low amount of international students attending Cal Poly, they still "bring three-quarters of a million dollars each year to Cal Poly."

The money that would be needed to maintain and broaden the university's international programs was one of the senators' main concerns as they considered the resolution.

Urreiztieta explained that the strategic plan doesn't have any dollars tied to it, except for what is already in Cal Poly's budget.

Jack Wilson of the mechanical engineering department said the resolution is a good way to bring money into Cal Poly, even if it will cost more in the beginning.

"I think we are going to spend some money to get some money," Wilson said. "We all like money."

But James LoCascio, also from the mechanical engineering department, disagreed with the focus on money and said he feels that the we are "prostituting kids."

"This doesn't sound right, nor feel right," LoCascio said.

In other business, the senate's resolution on "U" grades may mean more flexibility for students.

A "U" grade is equivalent to an "F" in a student's grade point average. The grade is given to students when an instructor feels they have failed to complete assignments or course activities or both to make normal evaluation of academic performance possible.

Under the proposed resolution, students may request a grade change from "U" to "W" — an official authorized withdrawal from a class — but only once during their academic career at Cal Poly.

Laura Freberg, chair of the instruction committee, explained that a "U" grade is an unauthorized withdrawal from a

class, and can be a negative consequence for a student because of what can be a technical error.

Executive committee member Leslie Bowker of the biological sciences department questioned the one time only policy.

"A procedural error ought to be rectified (at all times)," Bowker said.

Bowker also proposed that there should be a time limit placed on students for how long they can wait before requesting full fees back.

"You pay for your place whether you show up or not," Bowker said.

Freberg stressed that instructors are still under no obligation to grant grade changes no matter what the resolution proposes.

"A faculty person is very much in charge of the situation," Freberg said.

Freberg encouraged students to take responsibility, use CAP-TURE and to check their SSF forms to make sure they are enrolled in the right classes.

"Keep track of your education," Freberg said.

The senate will discuss the proposed resolution at their next meeting.

## Five border patrol agents facing dismissal

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — The Border Patrol is moving to fire five agents who allegedly threw rocks at illegal immigrants, injuring one, and then tried to cover up their involvement.

A rookie agent involved in the incident later reported the cover-up and apparently suffered a campaign of retribution.

The incident occurred on Nov. 18, 1993, when six agents chased seven illegal border-crossers into a marsh and threw rocks at them to flush them out.

One of the illegal immigrants was hit on the head by a rock

and suffered a gash that required stitches. He later reported the incident to San Diego police.

The chief of the Border Patrol agents' union promised to fight the firings, saying the agents have become political pawns.

"I think they are trying to make examples of these agents," said T.J. Bonner. "I don't think there's any doubt about that."

After the rookie officer divulged the cover-up, his truck was vandalized and he received anonymous threatening messages. However, investigators have not learned who was behind the harassment. No evidence was

uncovered to link the five agents to the intimidation, deputy chief William Veal said.

For his safety, the rookie agent was transferred to the U.S.-Canada border, Veal said.

Human rights activists frequently complain of heavy-handed tactics by agents, including hair-pulling, kicking and verbal abuse. The Border Patrol generally denies the claims.

This time, however, a Justice Department official told the Los Angeles Times the cover-up and the retaliation against the whistle blower has forced the agency to deliver strong punishment.

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## PARTY: Reform Party wants to change lobbying restrictions, foreign policies

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the Reform Party seeks to prohibit announcement of exit polls until all voting has been completed in Hawaii.

New Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security plans will be developed and explained in detail to the American people. Pilot tests of each program will take place before they are implemented nationwide in order to make sure they produce the anticipated results at the anticipated costs.

These programs will also be flexible so that they can be changed based on experience, rather than being restricted by legislation.

Reform Party restrictions on foreign lobbying would include prohibiting former public officials from ever working as a foreign lobbyist. Also, foreign countries would no longer be able to give contributions or gifts of any kind to U.S. elected officials.

Domestic lobbying restrictions would prohibit former federal officials from working as domestic lobbyists for five years after leaving government service.

Currently, the majority of people attracted to the Reform

Party's objectives are older people, Jenkins said.

But he emphasized that it is the younger generation and their children who will inherit the problems of today. Therefore, the Reform Party is trying to recruit the support of students.

"Students need to get involved in these issues," Jenkins said. "After all, they are the ones who will inherit the massive debt and the problems associated with improper representation of the voting public."

The Reform Party is a good way for students to get involved with political activities, Culver said.

Because of low voter turnout among students, he said, they are the ones who should be interested in the third party because it provides them with another choice.

"It's a different way to get the country on track and a change in politics as usual," Culver said.

Some Cal Poly students said they feel that having the choice of a third party is good, but they are pessimistic about any kind of change occurring.

"It's good that it gives people another option," said English senior Tom Packer. "But I'm

frustrated with politics and try to stay as far away from it as I can. I don't think (a third party) will change anything."

Agribusiness junior Nick Stevens echoed those thoughts.

"It's a good idea, but I don't think it will change much," he said. "People are pretty much set in their ways."

Locally, more than 9,000 voter registration forms were sent out in the Telegram-Tribune. United We Stand America members also recruited voters in front of shopping centers and downtown at the Farmer's Market.

Adelaide Quebodeaux, United We Stand America's northwest regional director, said she expected the party to reach the required number of signatures.

"Our phones are ringing off the hook everywhere we are. Everyone is looking for us," she said.

Culver, however, said he feels the Reform Party "is a serious effort that faces serious obstacles."

"It would also be awfully hard for a third party person to win the presidency, and even if he did there would be a Reform Party president dealing with a Republican and Democratic Congress," Culver said.

## Reform Party will appear on 1996 California ballot

By John Howard  
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Hours before the deadline, Ross Perot declared victory Tuesday in his quest to put the new Reform Party on California's 1996 presidential ballot.

But it could be weeks before state officials can say for sure whether he succeeded in the drive launched less than a month ago.

The Reform Party had submitted at least 95,000 voter registrations by early Tuesday, Perot said. Thousands more were expected to be submitted at county registrar offices before the 5 p.m. deadline.

"As of this morning, we have 95,000," Perot told San Francisco television station KRON via a satellite link from Dallas. "We know it's done. But we're going to work hard all day today and turn in thousands more ..."

Meanwhile, questions arose Tuesday over whether a top Clinton campaign strategist offered to help the Perot effort in California.

Gordon Black, a pollster who

sometimes advises Perot, said the offer of manpower was made by Clinton adviser Dick Morris and was quickly rejected. Morris denied making such an offer. The dispute was first reported in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Reform Party needed 89,007 verified voter registrations to qualify the party for the 1996 elections in the nation's largest state, which also has the earliest qualification deadline and the toughest requirements.

Perot reportedly has spent \$100,000 a week on the California effort, including \$360,000 on newspaper advertising. The Texas billionaire launched the drive Sept. 28.

Perot's volunteer army staked out shopping malls, and anywhere else Californians gathered, persuading voters to change their registration to the Reform Party — at least briefly — so the party could meet its deadline.

Russ Verney, executive director of Perot's United We Stand America, said party workers had "counted and copied 94,956 voter

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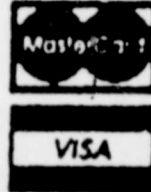
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## LETTERS

## From Calvin &amp; Hobbes to rage

Editor,

Last Wednesday morning as I waited for lab to begin, I casually skimmed through the Mustang Daily, looking over the headlines and checking out Calvin & Hobbes for my morning chuckle. However, the joy that I felt was suddenly changed to amazement and then anger after I read about a friend of mine, James Randolph.

My amazement was derived from my association with James and knowing the kind of person he is, and seeing him in this predicament. He is a fine young man who I have known for the past two years or so through our common affiliation with the Society of Black Engineers and Scientists. I had just spoken with James the previous night and everything seemed to be fine. So when I saw the headline and the picture of James, I was absolutely astonished.

As I read the article, my disbelief was transformed to anger. James was portrayed by the Mustang Daily as a savage animal who had to be "hogtied while still screaming and struggling."

The treatment of this story is of no surprise to me. As an African-American male I have witnessed numerous instances where the media has depicted African-American men as the nefarious enemy of "civil" societies. One has to look no further than the "Trial of the Century" for proof.

The Mustang Daily is guilty of committing these same racist policies. Case in point: There was a picture of James lying in a prone position on the front page. Granted, James has a light skin complexion, but to make sure everyone knew his race you state it as African-American. Relevance? This is followed by descriptions of him thrashing about wildly and supposedly saying "Black Power" and other such comments.

Could there possibly be a correlation in the manner in which the story was written and the very successful Million Man March? Is this an attempt to re-establish the stereotypical image of the African-American man? Is this an effort once again by the media to influence and persuade the "majority" and their perceptions? I believe so. This was an attempt to convey to the populace that this is the way African-American men still really are. Insinuating that all of the current reaffirmation/rededication talk of African-American men is just a ruse.

If you would have taken the time to find out all the facts and written an objective story, maybe you could have prevented someone from making the same mistake that James did.

Andre M. Bossett  
Engineering senior

## We are your family

by Alan Y. Lee

This is in response to Stephen Sanford's letter of Oct. 17. Such ignorance and prejudice degrade the moral values of this institution. It makes me ashamed to be an American when there are such hypocritical, disillusioned individuals who thrive in this proud nation.

Gays, lesbians and bisexuals have been around as long as heterosexuals have. I hate to disappoint those who think otherwise, but we are already a part of the community. We didn't just appear out of nowhere on National Coming Out Day. We are your schoolmates, neighbors, teachers, lawyers, doctors, engineers and relatives as we have been all along. Sexuality does not discriminate based on color or creed. Some people just refuse to see us for who we are and what we stand for. We have as much to contribute to society and culture as anyone else.

Think of a world without the art of Michelangelo, without the philosophies of Socrates, without the poetry of Emily Dickinson, and without all the other great minds that have contributed to all areas of human cultural growth. Homosexuality has been recorded in history as early as the ancient Greek civilizations. As much as others would like to disclaim the fact, homosexuals and bisexuals have been oppressed as much as any ethnic minority.

In reply to Stephen Sanford's "insensitive and cruel" question about how many straight people wake up hanging themselves after realizing their sexual orientation, I do not personally know of any. However, let me turn the tables on you. How many straight people do you know lose their jobs because they're heterosexual? How many straight people get physically abused, discriminated against, disowned by family and friends, kicked out of the

## COMMENTARY



## Gay Pride Backlash

house, insulted with verbal abuse and get hateful letters to the editor written against them all due to their heterosexuality? Which then brings me to the question of what motive would a heterosexual individual have to commit suicide because of their sexuality?

Furthermore, we have no wish to "push our agenda" on anyone. All we want is to be accepted and understood rather than to be hated and rejected. We merely ask that we be allowed to live normal lives like anyone else and be allowed to love our lovers regardless of their genders. We call our "gay brothers and sisters" a family because we are trying to integrate ourselves for strength, support and unity rather than to segregate ourselves from other parts of society as some had suggested. We do not ask to be "elevated" within the community, but merely ask that we do not get forced down below the standards of the rest of society.

The gay community does not have the basic rights that certain heterosexuals take for granted, such as marital status, equal rights to child adoption and financial benefits such as tax breaks. The reason you don't see "straight parades" and "I Was Never in the Closet Days" is because there is nothing to celebrate if you are heterosexual. The heterosexual population have no sexual oppression to overcome — the same reason why you wouldn't find "Caucasian Parades."

Where or when did Sanford see any material presented on National Coming Out Day that you could qualify as bedroom behavior? If there were any live

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sexual demonstrations, I certainly missed them! We were merely there to show our pride in ourselves, and to express our thanks to allies who are supportive and understanding. We were certainly not telling anyone about our sexual antics. When I read articles such as those submitted by narrow-minded individuals such as Sanford, I don't feel hatred. I only feel sympathy and regret: sympathy for their lack of compassion and humanity and regret for not getting our message across. We desire love, peace and understanding, not belligerence, hatred and disgust.

Alan Lee is a biochemistry senior.

## Choosing to be honest

by Jeffrey Lesniak

I am writing this to respond to Stephen Sanford's letter on Oct. 17.

How does anyone know if homo/bisexuals are born into every family? Chances are that there is at least one homo/bisexual in every family, but because being gay is said to be wrong, and many homo/bisexuals are afraid to come out, they are cheated of their identity. I want to make it clear that when I refer to "family," I mean extended family (cousins, aunts, uncles etc.) as well as immediate family.

Although homo/bisexuality has not been proven to be, or is not, genetic, in my opinion it is definitely not a choice. Let me ask you a question: Would you choose to live a life where society looks down on you? I think not. I don't know anyone who would choose to live a life like that. Homo/bisexuals do have a choice as to how they live their lives. They can be themselves, or live a false life just to fit in.

Does saying, "I'm gay" mean I am disclosing information to you about my "bedroom behavior?" I do not think so. By my telling you I'm gay, I'm telling you that I have chosen to love another person that I am physically and emotionally attracted to. I do not think there is anything peculiar about me. I have simply chosen to live my life for me, not for society.

You wonder why there are pride parades. Could it be that most homosexuals do not feel comfortable being openly gay in public? Maybe if people would stop shaking their heads at two men or women walking down the street holding hands, then there would be less need for pride parades. Pride parades are a place where homo/bisexual people can feel comfortable being open about who they are.

I would like to thank Doug Smith for his commentary on Oct. 11. It really makes me feel good to know that I'm not the only homosexual person at Cal Poly. After years of struggling with my own identity, I've finally accepted myself and come to the conclusion that I'd much rather live a life being myself, even though some people may look down on me, than to live a life pretending to be someone I'm not.

Jeffrey Lesniak is a business senior.

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# Denver airport in chaos during first snow storm

By Deborah Mendez  
Associated Press

DENVER — The airport that was supposed to keep America's flights on time in any kind of weather failed the test during its first blizzard.

A storm that dumped a half-foot of snow crippled the new Denver International Airport. Snow and rain leaked through the tower roof and fell on computer equipment, prompting state and federal investigations.

One plane took a wrong turn and got stuck in a snow drift, forcing airport officials to cancel landings for 45 minutes. Another plane aborted its landing at the last second because of a snow-removal truck on the runway.

Gates were clogged while planes waited for de-icing.

Nevertheless, officials said the airport, which opened 16 months late and more than \$3 billion over budget on Feb. 28, weathered whiteout conditions late Sunday and early Monday better than any other airport in the world.

"We were able to keep three runways open in blizzard conditions and have planes depart and land in those conditions," airport spokesman Dan Melfi said Tuesday. "I never bought that we would be delay-free. There will always be weather delays."

Below-freezing temperatures and winds blowing up to 60 mph led to zero visibility, snow-laden runways and icy highways leading to the airport.

The most serious incident came early Monday, when a United Airlines Boeing 727 en route from Chicago nearly crashed into a city truck on the runway. The driver was overseeing snow-removal on the airport's five major runways.

Mitch Barker, a regional spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration, said the

FAA wants to know why the truck was on an active runway and why the ground-radar system failed to detect it.

Both airport and FAA officials admitted that ground radar cannot scan the entire airfield.

"We will have to determine what happened and make sure it doesn't happen in the future," Barker said.

In a letter to the FAA, Rep. Pat Schroeder, D-Colo., demanded an investigation into communication between air-traffic controllers and ground workers.

"How well-trained are people driving out around on runways? If they get lost — what's that all about?" Schroeder said.

Melfi said that the incident is under investigation but that the truck driver — a longtime employee — "is in a lot of hot water."

Schroeder told FAA officials that the plastic roof over the airport tower had partly collapsed, allowing rain and snow to fall on computer equipment.

"Let's get the roof fixed for heaven's sake. ... get the plastic off," Schroeder said. "That ought to be done ASAP. And then we should get some understanding of how the regional FAA office and the tower work together on these flow problems."

The airport, which cost nearly \$5 billion, was touted by supporters as the one airfield that could handle any kind of bad weather and ensure flights around the country landed on time.

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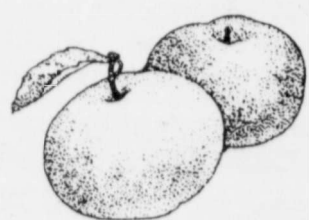
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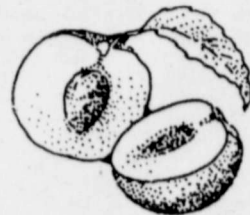


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## Congress juggles GOP cuts

By David Espo  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With the fate of their budget-balancing drive at stake, Republican congressional leaders juggled competing demands Tuesday, ranging from rural House members unhappy with cuts proposed for farm programs to moderate senators demanding more money for education.

Republican lawmakers in both houses also vied for larger helpings of the Medicaid pie for their home states as showdown votes loomed Thursday in the House and Friday in the Senate.

"This is the most important vote that we will have cast in Congress in the 23 years I've been here," said Senate GOP Whip Trent Lott of Mississippi. The measure is designed to balance the budget in seven years.

Democrats, not disputing the importance of the vote, attacked the GOP measure as unfair. Their opposition was expected to be unanimous in the Senate and nearly so in the House.

"The fact is, if it wasn't for these tax breaks for the wealthy, we wouldn't have to make these cuts in Medicare, Medicaid, school lunches or student loans," said House Democratic Whip David Bonior of Michigan.

President Clinton is widely expected to veto the measure if it reaches his desk, although a follow-up, year-end stab at compromise seems likely between the Democratic chief executive and the GOP majorities in Congress.

For now, though, the scope of the legislation was vast, from hundreds of billions of dollars squeezed from Medicare, Medicaid and welfare to a minor, \$21 million item in the House measure authorizing the Forest Service to sell 40 ski areas at market value.

Republicans folded a \$245 billion tax cut into their plan, a provision that unsettled many moderate GOP lawmakers of both houses. The breaks include a proposed \$500-per-child tax cut ardently sought by the Christian Coalition and a cut on the tax in profits from the sale of investments.

The measure, the result of a year's effort by Republicans, was designed to redeem the GOP pledge of a balanced budget, tax cut included, and smaller government. Politically, it entailed great risk, as well, as Democrats sought to turn the debate away from the broadly popular goal of a balanced budget to the cuts and other changes in programs that provide benefits to millions of Americans.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., was expected to bring the measure to the floor on Wednesday, with a final vote set for Friday. Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., set a vote for Thursday in the House.

That left a few harried days for attempts to ease concerns of Republicans unhappy with one provision or another.

Dole, who is running for president, ruled out scaling back the tax cut, even though moderate Republicans criticized it.

"The tax cuts are unfair, or at least give the perception of unfairness," said Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., another presidential contender, who said he hadn't decided how to vote.

Other moderate Senate Republicans considered limiting the tax cut to free more money for social spending. Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, told reporters she and about a half-dozen others want additional funds for student loans and Medicaid, the health care program for the poor. They also want restoration of money for the Earned Income Tax Credit, a program that provides tax relief to the working poor.

Asked how many senators are involved in the effort, Vermont's James Jeffords smiled and replied, "a sufficient number" to tip the outcome.

Republicans hold a 53-46 majority in the Senate, with one vacancy. In the House, their edge is 233-199, with one independent and two vacancies.

Medicaid, which provides health care for the poor, shaped up as one of the most complicated problems for Dole and Gingrich. Republicans are proposing transforming it into a program of federal grants to the states, which would be largely free to spend the money as they see fit. At the same time, they're proposing squeezing \$182 billion from the programs' growth over seven years, and are struggling to devise a formula that can satisfy senators guarding their own states' interests.

"Something is going to have to be worked out on it and I'm assured it will be," said Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, another presidential candidate.

The problems differed in the House, where one GOP leadership aide said Gingrich's three leading concerns were "agriculture, agriculture, agriculture."

The Agriculture Committee deadlocked on a plan by its chairman, Rep. Pat Roberts of Kansas, to meet a \$13.4 billion savings target by overhauling the current system. Growers would get a fixed but declining payment to ease the switch to free-market agriculture. The old system of dairy price regulation also would end.

Many farm state lawmakers, however, favor retaining the current system at lower cost.

A related controversy would end the system under which the federal government regulates dairy prices.

Gingrich also worked to address the same Medicaid distribution issue that Dole worked on.

Moderates in the House also sought deletion of a provision opening to oil drilling a portion of the environmentally sensitive Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.



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## Earthquake in China kills 29; injures more than 100 others

Associated Press

BEIJING — A strong earthquake with numerous aftershocks knocked over buildings and killed at least 29 people in southwestern China's mountainous Yunnan province Tuesday.

More than 100 people were injured by the 6.5 magnitude quake, which toppled nearly 200 buildings in Wuding County, the epicenter, about 60 miles northwest of the provincial capital Kunming, according to the state-run Xinhua News Agency and local seismologists.

The quake, which struck at about 6:46 a.m., shook beds in Kunming and was felt 125 miles away, seismologists said.

Telephone lines were cut and roads blocked to some towns near the epicenter, seismologists said. Xinhua reported that cracks were found in two reservoirs after the quake.

Seismologists said damage reports near the epicenter were incomplete. Provincial officials sent 30 teams to help out with relief and damage assessment.

"The earthquake was relatively strong and there were many aftershocks," said an official with the Central Seismology Bureau in Beijing, who identified himself by his surname, Ma.

Within 75 minutes, seismologists had recorded 104 aftershocks, the strongest with a preliminary magnitude of 4.9, said seismologist Ma Dianjun in Kunming.

He warned a second quake with a magnitude between 5 and 6 could jolt the area in the next few days. A quake with a magnitude of 6 can cause severe damage to populated areas.

Although the quake was unlikely to cause great damage in sparsely populated Kunming, people were told to shore up badly constructed buildings or those on shaky foundations, Ma said.

Most of the deaths occurred in Wuding and neighboring Luquan County, Ma said. One person died and three were injured about 60 miles north in neighboring Sichuan province.

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# 'Day of Dialogue' held in Los Angeles to discuss racial injustices

By Jennifer Bowles  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — One black man described his humiliation of being frequently pulled over by police. A white woman said racism was "ascribed" behavior. An American Indian urged others to think of humankind as one people.

That and more occurred Tuesday as residents in the nation's second-largest city got a chance to vent during "Day of Dialogue" encounters designed to ease racial tensions arising from O.J. Simpson's acquittal in the deaths of his ex-wife and her friend.

Surveys taken after the verdict showed that most whites were critical of the verdict, while most blacks supported it.

"If it took the (Simpson) verdict to finally force us to come out, then fine," said Marvin McDaniels, a 40-year-old black

resident. "It's time we sat down as people and talked to one another. The city needs it."

McDaniels was among 75 people who gathered at Praises of Zion Baptist Church in South Central, in a room wafting with the smell of fried chicken and cooled by two ceiling fans.

"Help us step across all divisions and step out of our zones of comfort so we can be instrumental in the healing of our city," the Rev. Ed Bacon of the All Saints Episcopal Church in Pasadena said during a prayer.

"Let it start here," he said. "The end of racism will be a long and tortured journey."

All Saints Episcopal and Praises of Zion began an active relationship after the 1992 riots, sparked by the acquittals of four

white police officers in the beating of black motorist Rodney King.

"We didn't adequately address this after the civil disturbance of 1992," said City Councilman Mark Ridley Thomas. "Now is the time to begin addressing these issues."

Hurriedly put together after a vote by the City Council Friday, meetings were held across the city, from the harbor town of San Pedro to the San Fernando Valley and East Los Angeles. They were run by facilitators trained by the Study Circles Resource Center, a Connecticut-based nonprofit group that is helping about 50 communities nationwide.

At Praises of Zion, people sat six to a table.

"We don't want to see all black faces at one table," urged the Rev. Benjamin Hardwick, the church's pastor. "We want to see a real mix so we can do something positive."

At one table sat three black women, a white woman, a black man and an American Indian, who for about an hour vented their feelings.

"A lot of times I am mistrusted because of my color," said Jessica Lindsey, 63, a black retired West Los Angeles nurse.

Twila Mattson, 64, the only white person at the table, tried to soothe their frustrations.

"There's a word for that," she said. "The word is ascribe. Someone who has had bad experiences with Joe Blow and judges the next person the same way, that's ascribed behavior. That's nothing.

ing. They are just surface feelings."

Lewis Hancock, a Choctaw-Creek Indian who is pastor at the First Southern Baptist Indian Church in South Gate, urged the participants to stop focusing on differences.

"The term for mankind in Indian is 'The People.' It's not red, not white, not black. It's the people and it means everyone," he said.

In the end, most came away believing the session was a mere beginning.

"Persistence," was what Katya Baslee of Studio City said was the next step.

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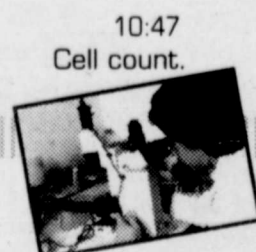
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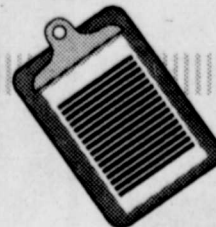
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## Global warming report predicts growing problem

By Paul Racer  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Vast lands will flood, some people may starve, glaciers will melt and deserts could expand and turn more extreme, according to a report assessing the effects of global warming over the next 100 years.

Scientists from more than 30 nations said in a report issued Tuesday that global warming, triggered in part by human activity, will cause a 2- to 6-degree Fahrenheit rise in average surface temperature, melt a third of the Earth's glaciers and cause a sea level rise of one-half foot to 3 feet by the year 2100.

The report said that people who live in hot climates, along low coastal areas and on small islands will be the most seriously affected.

"Climate change will affect all countries in one way or another," said Robert T. Watson of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy and the lead author of the report.

But he said that poor countries already stressed from hot climates, deserts and marginal agricultural production are apt to suffer the most.

The report was prepared by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Working Group II and involves an analysis of the impacts and possible adaptations resulting from global warming. The panel includes scientists from many countries. The report was prepared to advise world governments.

Estimates of temperature and sea level rise in the report are based on new studies, but are only slightly lower than estimates made last year by another IPCC working group.

Global warming is thought to be caused by an increase in the amount of carbon dioxide and some industrial gases spewed into the atmosphere through

human activities. Carbon dioxide is added to the atmosphere by the burning of fossil fuels, through destruction of forests and by some agricultural activities.

Carbon dioxide and other gases warm the planet by trapping heat in the atmosphere, the so-called greenhouse phenomenon.



# Human rights disputed, relations shaky between U.S., China

By Terence Hunt  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — In talks laced with tension, President Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin tried on Tuesday to stabilize relations shaken by disputes over human rights, trade and Taiwan. Clinton said the simple fact that they were meeting was important.

The Chinese leader signaled in advance that he was not interested in U.S. lectures. In a speech at the United Nations, Jiang stressed the importance of "noninterference in each other's affairs."

Clinton and Jiang met at Lincoln Center after China

demanding that the talks be moved from the New York Public Library. A human rights exhibit at the library included scenes from Beijing's Tiananmen Square, where hundreds of pro-democracy advocates were killed in 1989.

Posing for photographers, Clinton and Jiang stood stiffly, smiled and shook hands rather formally. "That's a very important photo," Jiang said in English. The mood was businesslike.

"The important thing is that we're going to have this meeting," Clinton said. "These are two great countries that have a real interest in maintaining a constructive dialogue with each other and — wherever possible

— a partnership. And we need to go to work on it."

Jiang indicated that his overriding concern was Taiwan, which China regards as a renegade province. "We have much to discuss on this issue," he said.

China is determined to see reunification with Taiwan, and is suspicious about U.S. intentions despite repeated declarations that Washington has a one-China policy and does not support Taiwanese independence.

The administration held out practically no hope of any breakthroughs.

"The president hopes that we can return some measure of normalcy and stability to arguably

one of the most important bilateral relationships that the United States maintains in the world," White House press secretary Mike McCurry said before the talks.

He said Clinton likely would raise "one or two" specific human rights cases with Jiang.

The meeting was Clinton's last appointment at the end of three days of intense diplomatic talks in New York.

Following up his talks of a day earlier with Russian President Boris Yeltsin about Bosnia, Clinton also met Tuesday with Croatian President Franjo Tudjman and Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic to smooth the way for peace talks opening in a

week.

Beijing's relationship with Washington plummeted anew this year when Clinton allowed Taiwanese President Lee Teng-hui to make an unofficial visit to the United States. The ties were frayed even further by China's arrest of Chinese-American activist Harry Wu, who was later released.

There have been some recent signs of improvement, with China accepting former Sen. James Sasser as U.S. ambassador after months of stalling.

In another irritant, Clinton refused to provide U.S.-backed financing for American companies that want to build China's multi-billion-dollar Three Gorges Dam.

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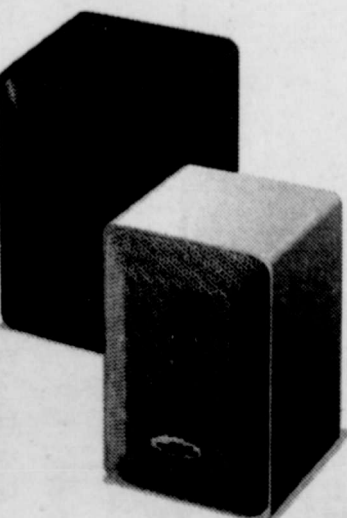
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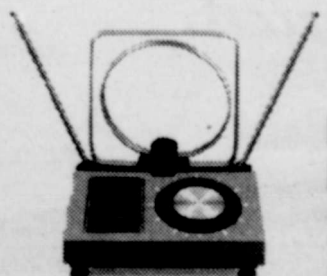
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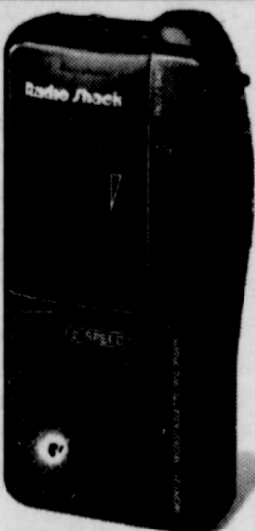


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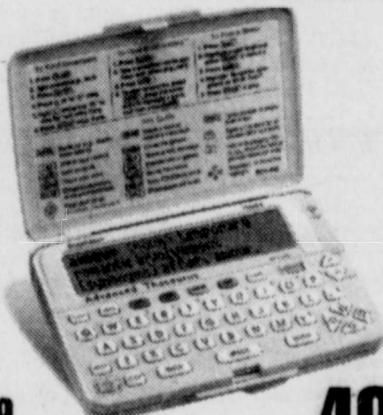
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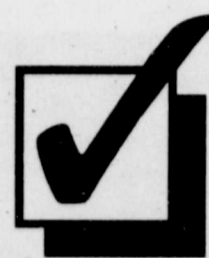
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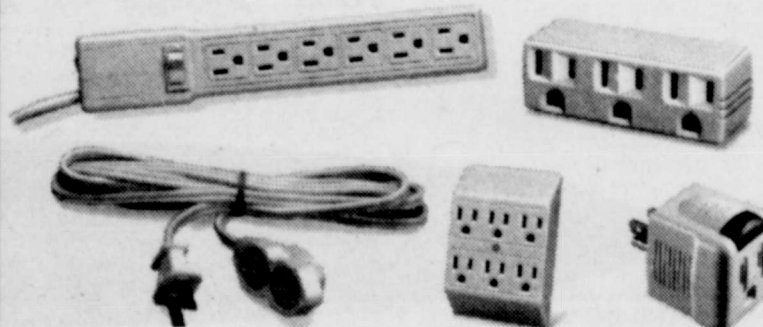
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# Director of Disney movie "Powder" convicted sex offender

By John Horn  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The director of "Powder," a new Walt Disney film about a troubled teen-ager, is a convicted child molester who once videotaped himself having oral sex with a 12-year-old actor.

The film's release this Friday in 1,200 U.S. theaters has prompted the molestation victim, Nathan Winters, now 20, to go public with his ordeal to protest Disney's employment of filmmaker Victor Salva.

On Monday night, Winters and five friends picketed outside the industry screening of "Powder," handing leaflets about Salva's conviction to hundreds of

grim-faced Hollywood executives leaving the theater.

"Please don't spend your money on this movie," the leaflets urged. "It would just go to line the pockets of this child molester." The friends toted signs: "Victor Salva: Writer, Director, Child Molester" and "Support the Victim, not the Victimizer."

Winters' decision to go public, Disney's reaction and the inevitable media attention all raise the knotty question of whether registered sex offenders, apart from perpetrators of all other crimes, should live under societal restrictions upon their completion of punishment.

Disney and the film's producer argue that Salva has served his

time.

Winters says he has been permanently scarred; his mother, Rebecca Winters, says he has been suicidal in recent months.

"I can't believe it. It just makes me sick," Winters said of Salva's return to filmmaking. "I'm not going to stand by. He should not be allowed to live his life as if nothing happened."

Salva confessed to having oral sex with Winters in 1987 while directing him in "Clownhouse," a low-budget horror film about three boys terrorized by circus clowns. Salva, sentenced to three years in state prison, served 15 months and completed parole in 1992.

California is among 46 states that require convicted sex of-

fenders to register their whereabouts with local police for the rest of their lives. After parole, they face no other restrictions.

Deputy District Attorney Jack Waddell said Tuesday he was "quite sure" Salva received counseling in state prison or as part of his parole.

But police warn that sexual abusers of children are rarely "cured."

A 1988 state Justice Department study found that almost half of all sex offenders are rearrested; nearly 20 percent of sex offenders commit another sex crime. Previously convicted sex offenders are more than nine times more likely to commit another sex offense than a per-

son convicted for a non-sex offense, national statistics show.

William Dworin, in charge of the Los Angeles Police Department's unit for sexually exploited children, said pedophiles exhibit a very high tendency to repeat their crimes.

"He's in a position of authority," Dworin said of Salva, "and as long as he's in a position to be around kids he's a threat to kids."

"He paid for his crime, he paid his debt to society," countered Roger Birnbaum, whose Caravan Pictures made "Powder" for Disney. "What happened eight years ago has nothing to do with this movie."

Said Disney spokesman John Dreyer: "What's the point, other than you want to make headlines?"

In a statement released Tuesday, the 37-year-old Salva said,

"How deeply I regret my actions. I paid for my mistakes dearly. Now, nearly 10 years later, I am excited about my work as a filmmaker and look forward to continuing to make a positive contribution to our industry."

Salva won the director's job for "Powder" because Birnbaum was so impressed by his original script. The movie stars Mary Steenburgen and Jeff Goldblum as the teachers of a boy with telekinetic powers and pure white skin, which repels his peers.

The actor who plays the teenage Powder, Sean Patrick Flanery, is 29, but Birnbaum said Monday he could not state definitively whether all others in the youthful cast were 18 or older.

Rated PG-13, the \$10 million "Powder" is Salva's first mainstream Hollywood movie.

## PEROT

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registration forms as of 11 p.m. last night.

"That includes those we have signed up. It does not include those that been sent in by mail or hand delivered to the counties," Verney said.

California Secretary of State Bill Jones has until Nov. 13 to officially verify the signatures, although the validation likely will be announced early next month, said spokeswoman Shirley Washington.

"Ohio is next and Maine follows right on its heels," Verney said.

Perot has suggested strongly that he won't be the party's candidate but he won't rule himself out, either.

The party first tried to qualify for the California ballot through petition, which would have required 890,000 signatures, he said.

The party switched to the more difficult voter registration route after the secretary of state's office, acknowledging it made an error, changed the deadlines.

Many of the registrations appeared to be coming from San Diego County — a Perot stronghold — and Los Angeles and Orange counties, all in southern California, Washington said.

Also Tuesday, the Natural Law Party said it had submitted 128,000 signatures as it tried to qualify for the 1996 ballot. The Iowa-based party, which is rooted into the Transcendental Meditation movement, has been quietly collecting signatures for eight months.



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# Nebraska's Phillips back on the football field

By Dave Zelio  
Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Six weeks after he was dismissed from the team for hitting a former girlfriend, Nebraska tailback Lawrence Phillips returned to practice Tuesday and is expected to play Nov. 4 against Iowa State.

Phillips, a junior from West Covina, Calif., had not practiced since Sept. 10, when he was arrested for hitting Kate McEwen at the apartment of transfer quarterback Scott Frost. Police said McEwen, a 20-year-old Nebraska basketball player, was dragged down a flight of stairs.

"He looked like a guy who hadn't practiced for six weeks," coach Tom Osborne said after practice. "He told us he was out of shape and he was."

Phillips did not speak to reporters, but the university released a statement from him.

"I'm sorry that this happened," Phillips said. "I know I can't undo the situation, but I'm trying to learn from it."

"I haven't run from the problem but I am facing it head

on. I have taken all the necessary steps toward returning to the team and will continue my counseling and will follow the sanctions determined by the university."

McEwen, in a statement read by her coach, Angela Beck, said: "Nothing can be done to change what has happened to me. I'm glad this situation is finally coming to an end and I'm anxious to get on with my life and basketball."

Osborne, who initially dismissed Phillips from the team but later called it an indefinite suspension, said Phillips would not travel with No. 2 Nebraska for Saturday's game at No. 7 Colorado. But Osborne said Phillips would suit up against Iowa State next week.

Osborne said university officials tried to treat Phillips as they would any other student with the same offense.

"The easy thing would have been to dismiss him, probably permanently — probably the most popular thing would have been to do that," Osborne said. "But basically after examining

all of the factors involved — many of which you will never be privy to and shouldn't be — we simply didn't feel it was the right thing to do."

"So we tried to do the right thing, the best thing for Lawrence Phillips, the victim and other people Lawrence Phillips will come into contact with throughout his lifetime."

Phillips awaits sentencing Dec. 1 after being convicted of misdemeanor assault and trespassing. Prosecutors have said they will recommend probation.

Phillips sees a Lincoln counselor and a psychiatrist each week. Based on their evaluations and those by staff at the Menninger Clinic in Topeka, Kan., Osborne said, Phillips is not "psychotic, he does not have abnormal brain waves or a personality disorder."

"They have deemed him not dangerous to himself or others any more than most people," he said.

Athletic director Bill Byrne said McEwen remained under 24-hour protection, which she

had received at the university's expense since immediately after the attack. But her coach said McEwen no longer was receiving the round-the-clock protection.

"She feels safe," Beck said.

Contact between Phillips and McEwen is forbidden, but Osborne said a court order barring Phillips from having contact with Frost was modified to allow the two to practice together.

"We're glad that he's coming back," said tailback Clinton Childs. "He's part of our Husker family ... every player that's here needs football. It's been part of our lives since we were little kids."

Phillips has missed five games, and Osborne called his reinstatement a "gamble." The coach said if Phillips were not allowed to return he might make himself available to the NFL.

"I really felt if I said, 'Lawrence, the next game you'll play will be next September,' the odds would have gone to 90 percent that he would be gone at that point," Osborne said. "I didn't feel that was what he needed to do."

## CROSS COUNTRY

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healthy runners.

"This doesn't allow for anyone to have a bad race," said sophomore Joey Taverner.

Something else working against them is that Cal Poly's only senior is Ahmik Jones and everyone else is new to the squad. Although they all get along, something just isn't clicking on the course.

"The men need to pull the group tighter as a pack," Crawford said.

Although negative factors may be working against the men, all have high hopes for the future. Both teams are eager to run at conference.

"The women should win easily because we have already faced all the teams and beat them," Crawford said. "We're just knocking at the door of the next level."

The cross country teams will be traveling to Cedar City, Utah on Saturday to run in the American West Conference against Southern Utah.

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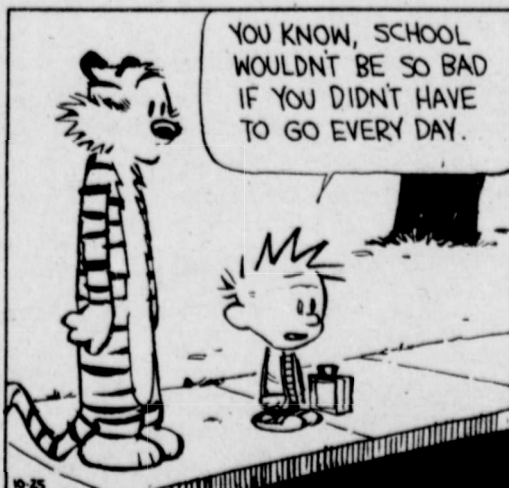
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"We have beaten conference opponents several times during the season and feel confident going into the championships," Crawford said.

Although currently in a "rebuilding mode," Crawford said the men's team also has a strong chance defending its title.

Fans will be watching senior Angela Orefice, who is favored to take the AWC women's individual title for the second consecutive time. Orefice has done quite well this season, placing first in three out of six meets.

For the men's team, Ahmik Jones has a strong chance to clinch the men's individual title, but he will face tough competition from Cal State Sacramento and Southern Utah.

The 1995 AWC Championships take place Saturday, Oct. 28 in Cedar City, Utah. The men's race is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. with the women getting underway an hour later.

## NATIONAL BRIEFS

## Uecker back on the air

Cleveland (AP) -- In further proof that life imitates art, Harry Doyle -- er, Bob Uecker -- was behind the broadcast microphone Tuesday night for the first World Series game in Cleveland since 1954.

"I AM Harry Doyle here," Uecker said at his hotel before Game 3 between the Indians and the Atlanta Braves.

In 1989, Uecker portrayed the occasionally profane, occasionally drunk and always cliché-filled Doyle, the Indians' broadcaster in the movie "Major League." He reprised the role in 1994's "Major League II."

He wasn't really playing an announcer, he was playing a parody.

But, the World Series isn't a parody. Cleveland actually is in it and Uecker is part of NBC's broadcast team for Games 2, 3 and 6.

Uecker was hilarious as Doyle, the broadcaster who swigs from a flask while he's on the air.

Cleveland players -- the real ones -- love to have fun with him. They walk up and say "Juuuuuust a bit outside," an imitation of Doyle calling a pitch several feet off the plate.

Sandy Alomar Jr. walked up to him at the batting cage and called out: "He swings and crushes one toward South America."

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

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Eric Engel

Cal Poly cross country runner about the men's team this season

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## Opposite ends of the Spectrum

*Successes and hurdles leave the cross country teams hungry for the AWC title*

By Alison Levitt  
Daily Staff Writer

Although the season is almost over, the cross country teams still have high hopes.

With the women having an outstanding season, their goals for the future are simple: win conference and place high at regionals.

"We all are strong individuals," said senior Angela Orefice, "and hopefully we will dominate conference and then advance to regionals."

If the women advance to regionals, which are held in Portland, Ore., they will face such schools as Washington State, Stanford and the University of Arizona.

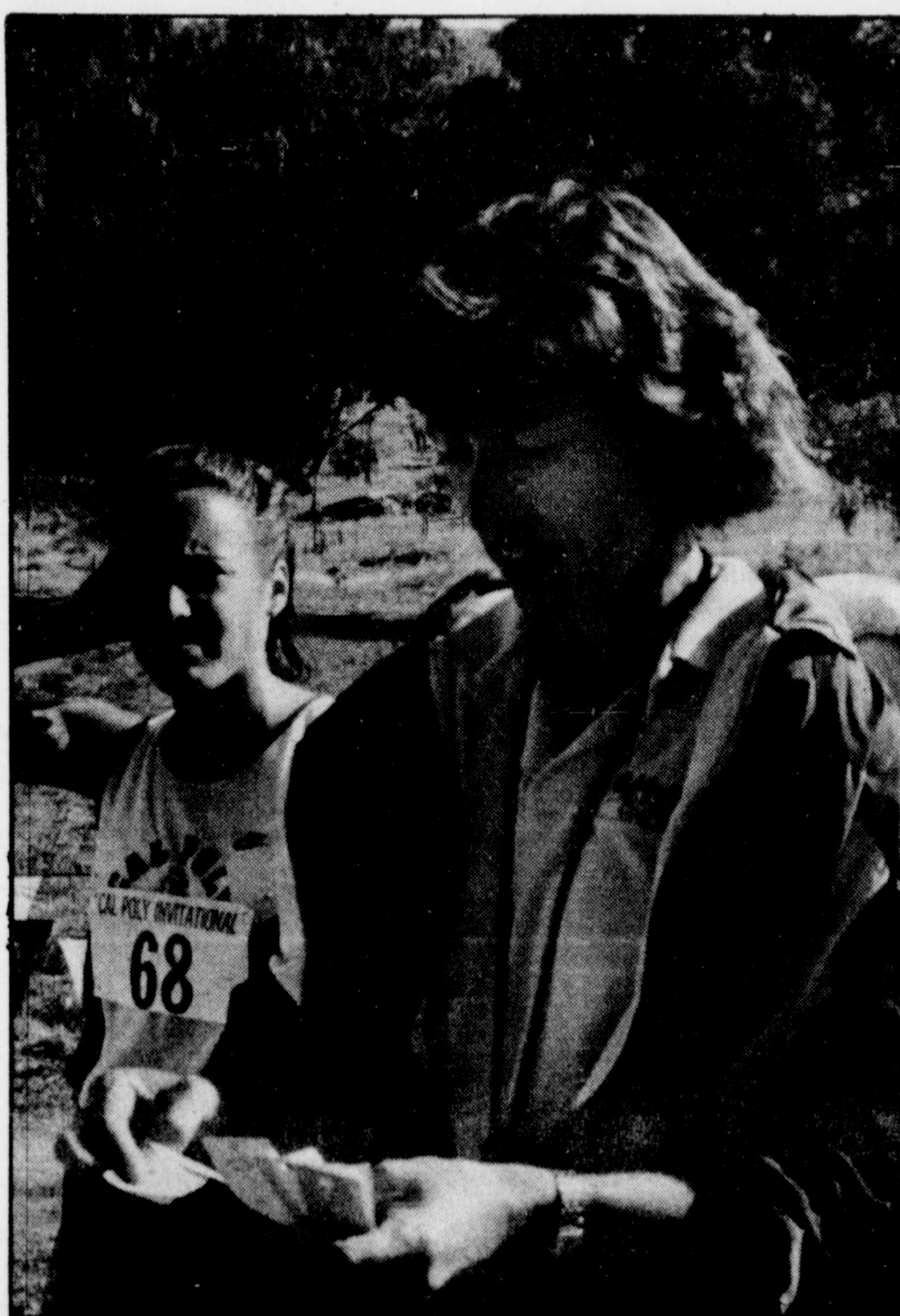
"On any given day we can make it to Nationals," said senior Jennifer Lacovara.

As for the season so far, the women have had a successful record and are hoping to keep up the momentum. However, due to some slight illnesses, not all seven women have run their best at the same time.

"Some people have been sick or are just not running at their capability," Orefice said. "But I've been pleased with all my races."

Orefice has much to be proud of. Besides remaining consistent throughout the season, she has performed phenomenally. At the Cal Poly Invitational, Orefice finished first with a time of 17:34, while the second place finisher Danielle Nelson of Fresno State finished with a time of 17:40.

Coach Terry Crawford believes that Angela has been extremely beneficial to the team



Coach Terry Crawford can expect senior Angela Orefice, who has had a winning season, lead the women's team to a championship / Daily file photo

this year.

"Angela has been our front-runner and is competitive with anyone in the league," Crawford said.

The men, on the other hand, have remained at a fairly constant rate. The team has accepted its slow start and is ready to move on to the next hurdle. All members are realizing how difficult and scrutinizing turning

a team around can be.

"Our team works very hard but I can't push a teammate more than he wants to be pushed," said junior Eric Engel. "We progressively are getting better."

The men's team has a large factor working against them. While most teams are racing seven men, Cal Poly only has five

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## Deion cleared to play Sunday

By Denne H. Freeman  
Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Deion will at least get to do Atlanta.

Deion Sanders has been cleared by the NFL to play in Sunday's game against the Falcons even though the league has ruled his contract invalid, Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said Tuesday.

"I have been assured by the league that they won't try to keep Deion from playing in Atlanta," Jones said. "It will be great to finally have Deion in the lineup."

The NFL told Jones in a letter last Friday night that the seven-year, \$35 million contract is \$1.39 million over the salary cap and therefore invalid. The NFL called again Tuesday to tell the Cowboys that Sanders can suit up while the league seeks a confirmation from U.S. District Judge David Doty that the contract circumvents the salary cap.

The NFL Players Association will appeal the disapproval of the contract. Under the terms of the collective bargaining agreement between the league and the players, there is a five-day stay of the disapproval, allowing Sanders to play Sunday.

Jones said the NFL didn't mention anything about Sanders playing for the rest of the year, but added, "They don't have a case and we'll still be playing Deion. They didn't say about the remainder of the season. But the main concern I have is for down the road and not for 1995."

Sanders, who has been recovering from ankle surgery since baseball season ended, will make his Dallas debut against one of his former teams, the Falcons. Look for Sanders to play both offensively and defensively. He likely won't return kicks.

Coach Barry Switzer said "Deion at cornerback

will allow us to do some things differently. On offense, he will get into the game (as a receiver). We've got four or five plays he can run."

"He's trying to shake off the rust, the cobwebs," Switzer added. "At some point and time, he will return kicks. He's not ready for the total package yet. He hasn't had enough time to get ready for all three phases."

Jones said the contract dispute with NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue is headed for the court of Judge Doty in Minneapolis.

"Judge Doty will ultimately hear the issue," Jones said. "The (NFL) challenge is wishy washy at best. They change their position as days go by. Of course, they could say next week Deion can't play. They could say anything. They have been all over the lot on this thing. As far as the numbers are concerned, you can make them say anything."

Tagliabue and the NFL Management Council met with the NFL Players Association executive director Gene Upshaw and lawyers representing Sanders and the Cowboys on Tuesday.

Sanders could be entering the lineup at a critical time for the Cowboys. Wide receiver Kevin Williams injured his knee in practice Monday and his status was uncertain for Sunday's game.

Switzer said Sanders brings "fresh legs" for the Falcons.

"Deion still walks with a limp, but he says it (the ankle) doesn't bother him," Switzer said. "You can see the way he runs around out there, he's in good condition."

Sanders left the Falcons to play for the Super Bowl champion San Francisco 49ers last year, where he earned NFL Defensive Player of the Year honors.

## Mathis hopes to dodge the intimidation

By John Nadel  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — When Buster Mathis Jr., steps into the ring to fight Mike Tyson Nov. 4, he plans to use what he learned from his late father, and believes that will give him a chance at an upset.

"I call Mike Tyson the master of intimidation," Mathis said Tuesday at a news conference promoting the bout. "My father told me before he died, 'As long as you don't let Mike Tyson intimidate you, you've won half the battle.'"

"I'm not worried about the fight. I'm not scared. I think Mike is a good human being. We don't hate each other. This is a business."

"I'm fighting the man to become the man."

Buster Mathis Sr., a former heavyweight contender, died Sept. 6 at age 51 after suffering a stroke and a heart attack. He was his son's trainer and they were very close outside the ring, too.

"I dedicate all my fights to my father, not just this one," Mathis said. "My dad was with me not just in boxing."

"He saw a lot of faults in Mike Tyson's style. Before he died, he pointed them out to me. When my father died, he said, 'Go down smoking.' That meant give it my best shot. That's what I plan to do."

One thing Mathis plans to do is not stand erect, as he says other Tyson opponents have done. Standing erect makes it easier to get hit because Tyson is coming out of a crouch, he said.

"I'm not focused on what Mike Tyson has to do, I'm focused on what I have to do," Mathis said. "One thing I know, I'll be ready to fight. I'm in great shape."

Tyson said the same thing at the Fox Television Center, where the news conference was held — that he's in great shape and ready for the fight, to be televised live by the Fox Network.

Mathis, 25, has a 20-0 record with one no decision and one no contest. The U.S. Boxing Association heavyweight champion, he last fought Aug. 5 — a month before his father died — stopping Mike Acklie in the first round.

Tyson, 29, is 42-1 with 36 knockouts. He will be fighting for the second time since being released from the Indiana Youth Center seven months ago after serving three years for rape.

After being inactive for more than four years, Tyson fought Peter McNeeley Aug. 19 at the MGM Grand Garden in Las Vegas, site of the bout against Mathis.

McNeeley was floored twice in the first round before being disqualified because his manager, Vinny Vecchione, jumped into the ring.

"This is a great kid, he is a good fighter," Joey Fariello, Mathis' trainer, said. "He's no McNeeley. I think he can rise to the occasion and do it."

The Tyson-Mathis fight is expected to draw about 10,000 fans. Heavyweights Riddick Bowe and Evander Holyfield will draw a similar crowd at Caesars Palace about an hour later, and will be televised on pay-per-view at a suggested price of \$39.95.